BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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| In re: Environmental cost recovery clause. | DOCKET NO. 20170007-EI  ORDER NO. PSC-2017-0400-PHO-EI  ISSUED: October 20, 2017 |

PREHEARING ORDER

Pursuant to Notice and in accordance with Rule 28-106.209, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), a Prehearing Conference was held on October 11, 2017, in Tallahassee, Florida, before Commissioner Ronald A. Brisé, as Prehearing Officer.

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**PREHEARING ORDER**

I. CASE BACKGROUND

As part of the Florida Public Service Commission’s (Commission) continuing Environmental Cost Recovery Clause proceedings, undertaken pursuant to Section 366.8255, Florida Statutes (F.S.), a hearing has been set in this docket for October 25-27, 2017.

II. CONDUCT OF PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.211, F.A.C., this Prehearing Order is issued to prevent delay and to promote the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of all aspects of this case.

III. JURISDICTION

This Commission is vested with jurisdiction over the subject matter by the provisions of Chapter 366 and 120, F.S. This hearing will be governed by said Chapter and Chapters 25-6, 25-22, and 28-106, F.A.C., as well as any other applicable provisions of law.

IV. PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Information for which proprietary confidential business information status is requested pursuant to Section 366.093, F.S., and Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C., shall be treated by the Commission as confidential. The information shall be exempt from Section 119.07(1), F.S., pending a formal ruling on such request by the Commission or pending return of the information to the person providing the information. If no determination of confidentiality has been made and the information has not been made a part of the evidentiary record in this proceeding, it shall be returned to the person providing the information. If a determination of confidentiality has been made and the information was not entered into the record of this proceeding, it shall be returned to the person providing the information within the time period set forth in Section 366.093, F.S. The Commission may determine that continued possession of the information is necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.

It is the policy of this Commission that all Commission hearings be open to the public at all times. The Commission also recognizes its obligation pursuant to Section 366.093, F.S., to protect proprietary confidential business information from disclosure outside the proceeding. Therefore, any party wishing to use any proprietary confidential business information, as that term is defined in Section 366.093, F.S., at the hearing shall adhere to the following:

* 1. When confidential information is used in the hearing that has not been filed as prefiled testimony or prefiled exhibits, parties must have copies for the Commissioners, necessary staff, and the court reporter, in red envelopes clearly marked with the nature of the contents and with the confidential information highlighted. Any party wishing to examine the confidential material that is not subject to an order granting confidentiality shall be provided a copy in the same fashion as provided to the Commissioners, subject to execution of any appropriate protective agreement with the owner of the material.
  2. Counsel and witnesses are cautioned to avoid verbalizing confidential information in such a way that would compromise confidentiality. Therefore, confidential information should be presented by written exhibit when reasonably possible.

At the conclusion of that portion of the hearing that involves confidential information, all copies of confidential exhibits shall be returned to the proffering party. If a confidential exhibit has been admitted into evidence, the copy provided to the court reporter shall be retained in the Office of Commission Clerk’s confidential files. If such material is admitted into the evidentiary record at hearing and is not otherwise subject to a request for confidential classification filed with the Commission, the source of the information must file a request for confidential classification of the information within 21 days of the conclusion of the hearing, as set forth in Rule 25-22.006(8)(b), F.A.C., if continued confidentiality of the information is to be maintained.

V. PREFILED TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS; WITNESSES

All witnesses, except those of OPC and FPL, are excused from the hearing. Each excused witnesses is identified below in Section VI by an asterisk. The testimony of excused witnesses shall be inserted into the record as though read, and all exhibits submitted with those witnesses' testimony shall be identified as shown in Section IX of this Prehearing Order and shall be admitted into the record.

Testimony of all witnesses to be sponsored by OPC and FPL has been prefiled and will be inserted into the record as though read after the witness has taken the stand and affirmed the correctness of the testimony and associated exhibits. All testimony remains subject to timely and appropriate objections. Upon insertion of a witness' testimony, exhibits appended thereto may be marked for identification. Each witness will have the opportunity to orally summarize his or her testimony at the time he or she takes the stand. Summaries of testimony shall be limited to five minutes.

Witnesses are reminded that, on cross-examination, responses to questions calling for a simple yes or no answer shall be so answered first, after which the witness may explain his or her answer. After all parties and Staff have had the opportunity to cross-examine the witness, the exhibit may be moved into the record. All other exhibits may be similarly identified and entered into the record at the appropriate time during the hearing.

The Commission frequently administers the testimonial oath to more than one witness at a time. Therefore, when a witness takes the stand to testify, the attorney calling the witness is directed to ask the witness to affirm whether he or she has been sworn.

The parties shall avoid duplicative or repetitious cross-examination. Further, friendly cross-examination will not be allowed. Cross-examination shall be limited to witnesses whose testimony is adverse to the party desiring to cross-examine. Any party conducting what appears to be a friendly cross-examination of a witness should be prepared to indicate why that witness's direct testimony is adverse to its interests.

VI. ORDER OF WITNESSES

Each witness whose name is followed by an asterisk (\*) is excused from the hearing.

| Witness | Proffered By | Issues # |
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| Michael W. Sole | FPL | 10A, 10B, 10C, 10F |
| Keith Ferguson | FPL | 10D |
| Renae B. Deaton | FPL | 1-9, 10B, 10E, 10F, 10G |
| Christopher Menendez\* | DEF | 1-9, 12B, 12C |
| Timothy Hill\* | DEF | 1-3 |
| Jeffrey Swartz\* | DEF | 1-3 |
| Patricia Q. West\* | DEF | 1-3, 12A |
| Penelope A. Rusk\* | TECO | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 |
| Paul L. Carpinone\* | TECO | 3 |
| R. M. Markey\* | GULF | 1, 2, 3 |
| C. S. Boyett\* | GULF | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 |
| Dr. Sorab Panday | OPC | 10A, 10B, 10D, 10E |
| Rebuttal |  |  |
| Name | Utility/Staff |  |
| Michael W. Sole | FPL | 10A, 10B, 10C |
| Keith Ferguson | FPL | 10D |
| Peter Andersen | FPL | 10A, 10B |

VII. BASIC POSITIONS

**FPL:** FPL’s 2018 Environmental Cost Recovery factors, including the prior period true-ups, are reasonable and should be approved. These factors include costs related to FPL’s Turkey Point Cooling Canal Monitoring Plan (“TPCCMP”) project, which also should be approved for recovery as proposed. In addition, the Commission should approve a modification to FPL’s Manatee Temporary Heating System (“MTHS”) Project to include a temporary heating system at FPL’s Fort Lauderdale Plant site (“PFL”) during the planned modernization project.

**DEF:** DEF’s positions to specific issues are listed below.

**TECO:** The Commission should approve the compliance programs described in the testimony and exhibits of Tampa Electric Witnesses Rusk and Carpinone for environmental cost recovery. The Commission should also approve Tampa Electric’s calculation of its environmental cost recovery final true-up for the period January 2016 through December 2016, the actual/estimated environmental cost recovery true-up for the current period January 2017 through December 2017, and the company’s projected ECRC revenue requirement and the company’s proposed ECRC factors for the period January 2018 through December 2018.

**GULF:** It is the basic position of Gulf Power Company that the environmental cost recovery factors proposed by the Company present the best estimate of Gulf's environmental compliance costs recoverable through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause (ECRC) for the period January 2018 through December 2018, including the true-up calculations and other adjustments allowed by the Commission.

**OPC:** The utilities have the burden of proof to justify and support the recovery of costs, their proposal(s) seeking the Commission's adoption of policy statements (whether new or changed), and any other affirmative relief sought, regardless of whether the Interveners provide evidence to the contrary. Moreover, regardless of whether the Commission has previously approved a program as meeting the Commission’s requirements, the utilities must still meet their burden of demonstrating that the costs submitted for final recovery meet the statutory test(s), are reasonable in amount, and prudently incurred. Issues that were deferred from 2016 to the current docket carry no presumption of correctness as to the reasonableness, prudence or retail ratepayer responsibility for the type or category of cost for which recovery is being sought.

The Commission has previously stated that the ECRC does not automatically require recovery of prudently incurred environmental costs through the clause. Instead, recovery of even prudently incurred costs is a matter of agency discretion and policy. Further, Section 366.01, Florida Statutes, states on its face that the provisions of Chapter 366 are to be liberally construed to protect the public welfare.

It is well-established that recovery should be denied where imprudent management resulted in additional costs. This standard applies to costs related to the correction of contamination and violations of law. *In the case of FPL, the record shows that several decades of management decisions led directly to the development and growth of a hypersaline plume which threatens a public source of drinking water upon which millions of citizens depend. FPL was issued regulatory notices of violation because of the hypersaline plume. FPL now seeks to burden ratepayers with the costs of retracting the hypersaline plume, or in other words, to make customers pay for the direct results of FPL’s imprudent management decisions. This is contrary to law and policy. Additionally, FPL seeks to characterize a portion of its remediation responsibilities as ordinary capital improvement expenses related to containing the hypersaline plume, i.e., preventing further contamination of the Biscayne Aquifer. The purported “allocation” of costs proposed for recovery between O&M and Capital is not supported by scientific data. OPC objects to the recovery by FPL of any costs related to imprudent management.*

**FIPUG:** Only costs legally authorized should be recovered through the environmental cost recovery clause.  FIPUG maintains that the respective utilities must satisfy their burden of proof for any and all monies or other relief sought in this proceeding.

**PCS:** PCS Phosphate generally accepts and adopts the positions taken by the Florida Office of Public Counsel (“OPC”) unless a differing position is stated with respect to an issue.

**SACE:** The respective utilities have the burden of proof to justify and support the recovery of costs, and their proposal(s) seeking the Commission’s adoption of policy statements or other affirmative relief sought, regardless of whether the Interveners provide evidence to the contrary. Regardless of whether the Commission has previously approved a program as meeting the Commission’s requirements, the utilities must still meet their burden of showing that costs submitted for final recovery meet the statutory test for recovery and are reasonable and prudently incurred.

In reference to the Florida Power and Light (FPL)-specific issues: FPL’s failure to act to mounting evidence, dating back to 1978, that its use of the cooling canal system at its Turkey Point plant was leading to a growing underground contamination plume was imprudent. As such, remediation costs now flowing from FPL’s imprudence in not properly acting upon data and reports going back to 1978, are not recoverable from customers. Florida’s families and businesses served by FPL should not have to bear the costs of FPL’s mistakes. Additionally, the costs FPL seeks to recover are not related to earlier monitoring plans, but to alleged remediation and prevention of the growing underground contamination plume at Turkey Point, as such, these costs are not recoverable as part of the Turkey Point Cooling Canal Monitoring Plan (TPCCMP).

**STAFF:** Staff takes no position at this time on contested issues and supports all proposed stipulations as set forth in Section X of this Order. Staff's final positions on contested issues will be based upon all the evidence in the record.

VIII. ISSUES AND POSITIONS

The following contested FPL company-specific issues 10A-10E are related to Turkey Point. Please see Section X of this Order for the proposed stipulation of issues 1-9, 13, 10F-10G, 11, and 12A-C.

**ISSUE 10A:** **Should FPL be allowed to recover, through the ECRC, prudently incurred costs, if any, associated with the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum)?**

**FPL:** Yes.  The 2015 Consent Agreement (as amended) and 2016 Consent Order are Environmental Laws or Regulations under Section 366.8255, Fla. Stat. Costs that FPL has prudently incurred as a result of the 2015 Consent Agreement (as amended) and 2016 Consent Order are Environmental Compliance Costs that are recoverable pursuant to Section 366.8255. As addressed in Issue 10C below, those costs were incurred as part of FPL’s approved Turkey Point Cooling Canal Monitoring Plan project (“TPCCMP Project”). (Deaton, Sole, Andersen)

**DEF:** No position.

**TECO:** No position.

**GULF:** No position

**OPC:** No.

**FIPUG:** Adopt position of Office of Public Counsel.

**PCS:** No position.

**SACE:** No.

**STAFF:** Staff has no position at this time.

**ISSUE 10B:** **Which costs, if any, associated with the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum) were prudently incurred?**

**FPL:** FPL prudently has incurred or expects to incur $70,501,961 in O&M expenses and the revenue requirements (depreciation and return) associated with $68,001,946 in capital investment for the years 2016-2018 for activities required by the 2015 Consent Agreement (as amended) and 2016 Consent Order. (Deaton, Sole, Anderson, Ferguson)

**DEF:** No position.

**TECO:** No position.

**GULF:** No position

**OPC:** The costs of the Retraction Well System are remedial in nature and should not be imposed on FPL’s customers. FPL’s management knew or should have known that its actions in operating the CCS were creating material harm to the Biscayne Aquifer. FPL’s actions and inaction over time placed the Company in violation of law, and therefore constitute imprudence, such that the costs of addressing the consequences of that imprudence are not properly costs that should be borne by customers.

**FIPUG:** Adopt position of Office of Public Counsel.

**PCS:** No position.

**SACE:** None. Costs associated with the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum) have and are being incurred due to FPL’s imprudence in not properly monitoring or acting upon data and reports going back to 1978, that showed a growing pollution impact from its cooling canal system.

**STAFF:** Staff has no position at this time.

**ISSUE 10C: Should the costs FPL seeks to recover in this docket be considered part of its Turkey Point Cooling Canal Monitoring Plan project?**

**FPL:** Yes. Environmental activities required for the TPCCMP Project have progressed from monitoring, to expanded monitoring, to identification of the need for corrective actions, and now to implementing those corrective actions in compliance with the 2015 Consent Agreement (as amended) and the 2016 Consent Order. At the time the TPCCMP Project was approved for recovery through the ECRC in 2009, FPL made clear that such a progression was a potential outcome. Indeed, FPL has reflected incremental costs for the expansion of FPL’s environmental compliance activities each year, and the Commission has approved the recovery of those costs. (Sole)

**DEF:** No position.

**TECO:** No position.

**GULF:** No position

**OPC:** No.

**FIPUG:** Adopt position of Office of Public Counsel.

**PCS:** No position.

**SACE:** No. The Turkey Point Cooling Canal Monitoring Plan is not intended to for the type of remediation activities that FPL seeks cost recovery for in this docket.

**STAFF:** Staff has no position at this time.

**ISSUE 10D: Is FPL’s proposed allocation of costs associated with the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum) between O&M and capital appropriate? If not, what is the correct allocation of costs between O&M and capital?**

**FPL:** Yes, the FPSC should approve FPL’s proposed allocation between O&M and capital. (Ferguson)

**DEF:** No position.

**TECO:** No position.

**GULF:** No position.

**OPC:** No. The costs of the Retraction Well System are remedial in nature and should not be imposed on FPL’s customers. FPL’s management knew or should have known that its actions in operating the CCS were creating material harm to the Biscayne Aquifer. FPL’s actions and inaction over time placed the Company in violation of law, and therefore constitute imprudence, such that the costs of addressing the consequences of that imprudence are not properly costs that should be borne by customers.

**FIPUG:** Adopt position of Office of Public Counsel.

**PCS:** No position.

**SACE:** No monies should be recovered from customers for O&M or capital expenditures flowing from the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum).

**STAFF:** Staff has no position at this time.

**ISSUE 10E: How should the costs associated with the June 20, 2016 Consent Order between FPL and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the October 2015 Consent Agreement between FPL and the Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management (as amended by the August 15, 2016 Consent Agreement Addendum) be allocated to the rate classes?**

**FPL:** Costs associated with the 2015 Consent Agreement (as amended) and 2016 Consent Order should be allocated in the same manner as all other environmental cost recovery amounts approved for recovery under the TPCCMP Project. (Deaton)

**DEF:** No position.

**TECO:** No position.

**GULF:** No position.

**OPC:** No position at this time.

**FIPUG:** Adopt position of Office of Public Counsel.

**PCS:** No position.

**SACE:** No costs should be recovered from customers.

**STAFF:** Staff has no position at this time.

IX. EXHIBIT LIST

| Witness | Proffered By |  | Description |
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| Direct |  |  |  |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-1 | FPL Supplemental CAIR/MATS/CAVR Filing |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-2 | 1971 U.S. Department of Justice (“USDOJ”) Settlement Agreement |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-3 | NPDES/Industrial Wastewater (“IWW”) Permit Number FL0001562 |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-4 | Fifth Supplemental Agreement between the South Florida Water Management District (“SFWMD”) and FPL |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-5 | Turkey Point Extended Power Uprate Site Certification Conditions of Certification IX and X |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-6 | 2013 SFWMD Letter Requesting Consultation |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-7 | December 2014 FDEP Administrative Order |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-8 | October 2015 Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management Notice of Violation |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-9 | October 2015 Miami-Dade County Department of Environmental Resources Management Consent Agreement and Related Correspondence |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-10 | April 2016 FDEP Warning Letter and Notice of Violation |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-11 | April 2016 FDEP Warning Letter and Notice of Violation |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-12 | June 2016 FDEP Consent Order |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-13 | Addendum to October 2015 Consent Agreement and Related Correspondence |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-14 | TPCCMP Project O&M Expenses and Capital Costs |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-15 | FDEP Industrial Wastewater Facility (“IWWF”) Permit Number FL0001503 for PFL |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-16 | PFL Manatee Protection Plan (“MPP”) |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-17 | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“FWS”) letter to FPL regarding manatee protection at PFL |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-18 | PFL Manatee Temporary Heating System Conceptual Location of heated refuge, heater and pump systems |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-19 | Excerpt from PSL NPDES Permit |
| K. FERGUSON | FPL | KF-1 | Tetra Tech Analysis – Determination of Allocation of Costs for CCS Recovery and Improvement for the Recovery Well System |
| R.B. DEATON | FPL | RBD-1 | Environmental Cost Recovery Final True-up January 2016 - December 2016 Commission Forms 42-1A through 42-9A |
| R.B. DEATON | FPL | RBD-2 | Appendix I - Environmental Cost Recovery Actual/Estimated True-up January 2017 – December 2017 - Commission Forms 42-1E through 42-9E |
| R.B. DEATON | FPL | RBD-3 | Appendix I - Environmental Cost Recovery Projections - January 2018 – December 2018 Commission Forms 42-1P through 42-8P Appendix II - Calculation of Stratified Separation Factors |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-1 | Forms 42-1A - 42-9A January 2016 – December 2016 |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-2 | Capital Program Detail  January 2016 – December 2016 |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-3 | Forms 42-1E – 42-9E  January 2017 – December 2017 |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-4 | Capital Program Detail  January 2017 – December 2017 |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-5  (Revised) | Forms 42-1P – 42-8P  January 2018– December 2018 |
| CHRISTOPHER MENENDEZ | DEF | CAM-6 | Capital Program Detail  January 2018 – December 2018 |
| TIMOTHY HILL | DEF | CAM-5  (Revised) | Form 42-5P, page 23 of 23 |
| JEFFREY SWARTZ | DEF | JS-1 | Crystal River Clean Air  Projects Organizational Chart |
| JEFFREY SWARTZ | DEF | CAM-5  (Revised) | Form 42-5P, pages 7, 21 and 22 of 23 |
| PATRICIA Q. WEST | DEF | CAM-5  (Revised) | Form 42-5P, pages 1-4, and 6-20 of 23 |
| PENELOPE A. RUSK | TECO | PAR-1 | Final Environmental Cost Recovery Commission Forms 42-1A through 42-9A for the period January 2016 through December 2016 |
| PENELOPE A. RUSK | TECO | PAR-2 | Environmental Cost Recovery Commission Forms 42-1E through 42-9E for the Period January 2017 through December 2017 |
| PENELOPE A. RUSK | TECO | PAR-3 | Forms 42-1P through 42-8P Forms for the January 2018 through December 2018 |
| MARKEY | Gulf | RMM-1 | Schedule 5P - Description and Progress Report of Environmental Compliance Activities and Projects |
| BOYETT | Gulf | CSB‑1 | Calculation of Final True-up 1/16 – 12/16 |
| BOYETT | Gulf | CSB‑2 | Calculation of Estimated True-up 1/17 – 12/17 |
| BOYETT | Gulf | CSB‑3 | Calculation of the Estimated Scherer/Flint Credit 1/17-12/17 |
| BOYETT | Gulf | CSB‑4 | Calculation of Projection 1/18 – 12/18 |
| BOYETT | Gulf | CSB‑5 | Calculation of the Projected Scherer/Flint Credit 1/18-12/18 |
| DR. SORAB PANDAY | OPC | SP-1 | Resume of Sorab Panday |
| DR. SORAB PANDAY | OPC | SP-2 (Revised) | Table of Referenced Documents |
| DR. SORAB PANDAY | OPC | SP-3 | Demonstratives 1-28 |
| Rebuttal |  |  |  |
| M.W. SOLE | FPL | MWS-20 | FPL and SFWMD Fourth Supplemental Agreement |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-1 | Resume of Peter F. Andersen |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-2 | Simulated Relative Salt Concentrations in Model Layer 8 after 10 years for Alternatives 1, 2, and 3D |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-3 | Revision of OPC Witness Panday’s Demonstrative 23 |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-4 | Comparison of 2015 Modeled Freshwater-Saltwater Interface with CSEM Data |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-5 | Location of CCS Monitoring Stations Relative to Plant Cooling Water Intake and Biscayne Bay |
| P.F. ANDERSEN | FPL | PFA-6 | Saltwater Intrusion as Mapped by the USGS, 1984 and 1995 |

Parties and Staff reserve the right to identify additional exhibits for the purpose of cross-examination.

X. PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

There are proposed stipulations for all issues *except* issues 10A-10E. Staff, DEF, FPL, Gulf, and TECO support the proposed stipulation Issues 1-9, 13, 10F-G, 11, and 12A-C, which are set forth below. SACE, PCS, and FIPUG take no position on the stipulations. OPC takes no position on all of the stipulations except for issue 10G which it does not oppose and affirmatively states that “[t]he OPC does not object to the process proposed by FPL.”

**ISSUE 1:** **What are the final environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2016 through December 2016?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate final environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2016 through December 2016 are as follows:

FPL: $23,872,381 over-recovery

DEF: $1,266,492 over-recovery

TECO: $658,080 under-recovery

GULF: $3,262,290 under-recovery

ISSUE 2:

**What are the estimated/actual environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2017 through December 2017?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate estimated/actual environmental cost recovery true-up amounts for the period January 2017 through December 2017 are as follows:

FPL\*: $28,797,701 over-recovery

DEF: $1,751,015 over-recovery

TECO: $6,759,424 over-recovery

GULF: $11,475,260 over-recovery

\* Subject to modification from company-specific issues.

ISSUE 3:

**What are the projected environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate projected environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018 are as follows:

FPL\*: $212,389,989

DEF: $62,786,148

TECO: $72,821,226

GULF: $211,656,376

\* Subject to modification from company-specific issues.

ISSUE 4:

**What are the environmental cost recovery amounts, including true-up amounts, for the period January 2018 through December 2018?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate environmental cost recovery amount, including true-up amounts, for the period January 2018 through December 2018, are as follows:

FPL\*: $159,834,905

DEF: $59,811,674

TECO: $66,767,920

GULF: $203,589,886

\* Subject to modification from company-specific issues.

ISSUE 5:

**What depreciation rates should be used to develop the depreciation expense included in the total environmental cost recovery amounts for the period January 2018 through December 2018?**

Proposed Stipulation

For the period January 2018 through December 2018, the depreciation rates used to calculate the depreciation expense shall be the rates that are in effect during the period the allowed capital investment is in service.

ISSUE 6:

**What are the appropriate jurisdictional separation factors for the projected period January 2018 through December 2018?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate jurisdictional separation factors for the projected period January 2018 through December 2018 are as follows:

**FPL**

Retail Energy Jurisdictional Factor - Base 95.7811%

Retail Energy Jurisdictional Factor - Intermediate 94.2579%

Retail Energy Jurisdictional Factor - Peaking 94.8545%

Retail Demand Jurisdictional Factor - Transmission 88.7974%

Retail Demand Jurisdictional Factor - Base/Solar 95.6652%

Retail Demand Jurisdictional Factor - Intermediate 94.1431%

Retail Demand Jurisdictional Factor - Peaking 94.7386%

Retail Demand Jurisdictional Factor - Distribution 100.0000%

**DEF**

The Energy separation factor is calculated for each month based on retail kWh sales as a percentage of projected total kWh sales. The remaining separation factors are below and are consistent with the Revised Stipulation and Settlement Agreement approved in Order No. PSC-13-0598-FOF-EI as well as DEF’s 2017 Second Revised and Restated Stipulation and Settlement Agreement (“2017 Agreement”), filed on August 29, 2017 in Docket No. 20170183-EI.

Transmission Average 12 CP Demand – 70.203%

Distribution Primary Demand – 99.561%

Production Demand:

Production Base – 92.885%

Production Intermediate – 72.703%

Production Peaking – 95.924%

Production A&G – 93.221%

**TECO**

Energy: 100.00%

Demand: 100.00%

**GULF**

The demand jurisdictional separation factor is 97.18277%. Energy jurisdictional separation factors are calculated each month based on retail kWh sales as a percentage of projected total territorial kWh sales.

**ISSUE 7**:

**What are the appropriate environmental cost recovery factors for the period January 2018 through December 2018 for each rate group?**

Proposed Stipulation

The appropriate environmental cost recovery factors for the period January 2018 through December 2018 for each rate group are as follows:

**FPL**

| **Rate Class** | **Environmental Cost**  **Recovery Factor\***  **(cents/kWh)** |
| --- | --- |
| RS1/RTR1 | 0.159 |
| GS1/GST1 | 0.150 |
| GSD1/GSDT1/HLFT1 | 0.136 |
| OS2 | 0.083 |
| GSLD1/GSLDT1/CS1/CST1/HLFT2 | 0.131 |
| GSLD2/GSLDT2/CS2/CST2/HLFT3 | 0.115 |
| GSLD3/GSLDT3/CS3/CST3 | 0.116 |
| SST1T | 0.102 |
| SST1D1/SST1D2/SST1D3 | 0.126 |
| CILC D/CILC G | 0.116 |
| CILC T | 0.109 |
| MET | 0.128 |
| OL1/SL1/SL1M/PL1 | 0.030 |
| SL2/SL2M/GSCU1 | 0.109 |
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| Total | 0.146 |

\* Subject to modification from company-specific issues.

**DEF**

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| **Rate Class** | **ECRC Factors** |
| Residential | 0.157 cents/kWh |
| General Service Non-Demand  @ Secondary Voltage  @ Primary Voltage  @ Transmission Voltage | 0.154 cents/kWh  0.152 cents/kWh  0.151 cents/kWh |
| General Service 100% Load Factor | 0.150 cents/kWh |
| General Service Demand  @Secondary Voltage  @ Primary Voltage  @ Transmission Voltage | 0.152 cents/kWh  0.150 cents/kWh  0.149 cents/kWh |
| Curtailable  @ Secondary Voltage  @ Primary Voltage  @ Transmission Voltage | 0.151 cents/kWh  0.149 cents/kWh  0.148 cents/kWh |
| Interruptible  @ Secondary Voltage  @ Primary Voltage  @ Transmission Voltage | 0.147 cents/kWh  0.146 cents/kWh  0.144 cents/kWh |
| Lighting | 0.146 cents/kWh |

**TECO**

**Rate Class** **ECRC Factor (¢/kWh)**

RS 0.343

GS, CS 0.343

GSD, SBF

Secondary 0.342

Primary 0.338

Transmission 0.335

IS

Secondary 0.337

Primary 0.333

Transmission 0.330

LS1 0.339

Average Factor 0.342

**GULF**

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| **RATE**  **CLASS** | **ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY FACTORS**  **¢/kWh** |
| RS, RSVP, RSTOU | 2.124 |
| GS | 1.956 |
| GSD, GSDT, GSTOU | 1.733 |
| LP, LPT | 1.547 |
| PX, PXT, RTP, SBS | 1.482 |
| OS-I/II | 0.570 |
| OS-III | 1.361 |

ISSUE 8:

**What should be the effective date of the new environmental cost recovery factors for billing purposes?**

Proposed Stipulation

The new environmental cost recovery factors shall be effective beginning with the first billing cycle for January 2018 and thereafter through the last billing cycle for December 2018. The first billing cycle may be read before January 1, 2018, and the last cycle may be read after December 31, 2018, so that each customer is billed for twelve months regardless of when the adjustment factor became effective. These charges shall continue in effect until modified by this Commission.

ISSUE 9:

**Should the Commission approve revised tariffs reflecting the environmental cost recovery amounts and environmental cost recovery factors determined to be appropriate in this proceeding?**

Proposed Stipulation

The Commission hereby approves revised tariffs reflecting the environmental cost recovery amounts and factors determined to be appropriate in this proceeding. The Commission staff is directed to verify that the revised tariffs are consistent with the Commission’s decision.

**ISSUE 13:         Should this docket be closed?**

**Proposed Stipulation**

No. While a separate docket number is assigned each year for administrative convenience, this is a continuing docket and shall remain open.

**FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT SPECIFIC ISSUES**

**ISSUE 10F:**   **Should FPL be allowed to recover, through the ECRC, prudently incurred costs associated with its modification to include a temporary manatee heating system for the Fort Lauderdale Plant (“PFL”) site as part of its existing Manatee Temporary Heating System (“MTHS”) project?**

Proposed Stipulation

Yes. The modification to include a manatee temporary heating system for the PFL is hereby approved.  Costs for the PFL manatee temporary heating system will be allocated to rate classes in the same manner as all existing costs for the MTHS project.

**ISSUE 10G:**   **How should the effects on the 2018 environmental cost recovery factors of the St. Johns River Power Park Transaction (SJRPP), approved by the Commission on September 25, 2017, be addressed?**

Proposed Stipulation

The net impact of the SJRPP Transaction will be a reduction in the environmental cost recovery factors for 2018.  At this point, FPL cannot prepare and file an updated filing reflecting the SJRPP Transaction in time for parties to have a reasonable opportunity to review it before the hearing scheduled in this docket on October 25-27, 2017.  Therefore, FPL will file a mid-course correction limited to the impacts of the SJRPP Transaction by no later than November 17, 2017, to allow ample time for Commission staff and parties to review and conduct discovery, if any, before the mid-course correction is brought to the Commission for decision at the February 6, 2018 agenda conference, with the intent that the revised environmental cost recovery factors go into effect on March 1, 2018.

**TAMPA ELECTRIC COMPANY SPECIFIC ISSUE**

**ISSUE 11:** **How should revenues included in Tampa Electric’s projected ECRC cost recovery amount for 2018 associated with Phase II of the company’s coal combustion residuals compliance program (“CCR Program”), the approval of which is currently pending in Docket No. 20170168-EI, be treated for cost recovery purposes pending the final disposition of the company’s petition in that docket?**

Proposed Stipulation

Approval of the projected revenues for the costs associated with the Phase II of the CCR program is conditioned on this Commission’s approval of the CCR program in Docket No. 20170168-EI.  To the extent the scope of the CCR program costs differ from costs of the approved program in Docket No. 20170168-EI, the revenues collected for the CCR program in Docket No. 20170007-EI shall be subject to true-up.

**DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA SPECIFIC ISSUES**

**ISSUE 12A:** **Should the Commission find DEF’s 316(b) Compliance Plan is reasonable and approve recovery of the related costs through the ECRC?**

Proposed Stipulation

DEF’s 316(b) Compliance Plan is reasonable as it meets the criteria for recovery through the Environmental Cost Recovery Clause. Recovery of related costs through the ECRC is approved.

**ISSUE 12B:** **How should the costs associated with DEF’s 316(b) Compliance Plan be allocated to the rate classes?**

Proposed Stipulation

Costs associated with DEF’s 316(b) Compliance Plan shall be allocated to the rate classes on a demand basis.

**ISSUE 12C:** **Should the Regulatory Asset Treatment of the Alderman Road Fence be approved?**

Proposed Stipulation

The Commission approves DEF’s proposed treatment for the Alderman Road Fence - Project 3.1(a).

XI. PENDING MOTIONS

There are no pending motions at this time.

XII. PENDING CONFIDENTIALITY MATTERS

There are no pending confidentiality matters at this time.

XIII. POST-HEARING PROCEDURES

If no bench decision is made, each party shall file a post-hearing statement of issues and positions. A summary of each position of no more than 100 words, set off with asterisks, shall be included in that statement. If a party's position has not changed since the issuance of this Prehearing Order, the post-hearing statement may simply restate the prehearing position; however, if the prehearing position is longer than 100 words, it must be reduced to no more than 100 words. If a party fails to file a post-hearing statement, that party shall have waived all issues and may be dismissed from the proceeding.

Pursuant to Rule 28-106.215, F.A.C., a party's proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, if any, statement of issues and positions, and brief, shall together total no more than 40 pages and shall be filed at the same time.

XIV. RULINGS

Opening statements for FPL shall be ten minutes. FIPUG, OPC and SACE shall share a total of 15 minutes for opening statements.

James A. Brew, Esquire and Laura A. Wynn, Esquire on behalf of PCS are excused from the hearing.

OPC and FPL provided notice that each may use a demonstrative exhibit at the hearing.

It is therefore,

ORDERED by Commissioner Ronald A. Brisé, as Prehearing Officer, that this Prehearing Order shall govern the conduct of these proceedings as set forth above unless modified by the Commission.

By ORDER of Commissioner Ronald A. Brisé, as Prehearing Officer, this 20th day of October, 2017.

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|  | /s/ Ronald A. Brisé |
|  | RONALD A. BRISÉ  Commissioner and Prehearing Officer |

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